HOUSE RESOLUTION 322 By Miller L

A RESOLUTION to commend Laura K. Fowler for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Laura K. Fowler is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative Larry Miller, Representative John Hood, and Representative John Litz; Ms. Fowler's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted, as well as staff member Carolyn Slaughter and the House Calendar and Rules Committee, and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Memphis, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Laura Fowler has achieved academic success while pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science *magna cum laude* and winning the University of Memphis Pre-Law Honors Award in May 2006; and

WHEREAS, Laura has participated in numerous extracurricular activities, including the University of Memphis College Republicans, which she served as Vice President and Fundraising and Finance Director; the Student Government Association, which she served as Senator for the College of Arts and Sciences; the Judicial Affairs Committee of the Student Government Association, which she served as Chair; the Mock Trial Team, which she served as Captain; and the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps, in which she serves as Midshipman; and

WHEREAS, as a result of her remarkable academic achievements, Ms. Fowler has earned membership to several honor societies and organizations, including the University of

Memphis Honors Program, Gamma Beta Phi, Mortar Board, and Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Laura Fowler has been accepted to and will attend law school at the University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law in the fall to pursue both a Doctorate of Jurisprudence and Master of Arts in Political Science; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Fowler plans to join the United States Marine Judge Advocate General Corps upon matriculation from law school; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her duties with the House Calendar and Rules Committee, it is also well known that Laura was a tremendous help to her friend and roommate Larry "Chuck" Grimes in his successful campaign for Speaker of the One Hundred Fourth 2006 Intern Class General Assembly "Mock Legislature"; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Fowler brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2006 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2006 legislative session, Laura Fowler has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern, and she has gained respect for the work of Representative Larry J. Miller, Representative John Hood, and Representative John Litz and grateful appreciation for the assistance and advice of committee staff members Carolyn Slaughter, Mary Ann Doty, and Todd Staley; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Fowler has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Laura K. Fowler for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the House Calendar and Rules Committee and its officers, Representative Larry J. Miller, Chairman, Representative John Hood, Vice Chairman, and Representative John Litz, Secretary, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success, including her goal of a career in law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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